Festival of Lights Songs of Praise

Celebrating Indian Devotional Music in Edmonton

October 21, 7:00 Convocation Hall, Old Arts Building U of A Campus

Members of the Sathya Sai Baba Centre

Shrabdha Maidu and Stan Sewal, Vocals Satya Maidu, Vocals and Harmonium Pranam Maidu, Tabla

University of Alberta Indian Music Ensemble

Directed by Wasanti Paranjape

David Descheneau, Allison Fairbairn, Vikram Gurtu, Sabrina Merali, Neda Mitchell, Bali Panesar, Jivan Patel, Shainoor Samji, Cloe Whittaker, Bonita Bodani, Owen Borstad, Amy Dixon, Karim Gillani, Aleem Jiwa, Ravendra Naidoo, Sundeep Talwar, Marc Workman, Nick Kossintsev, Sandi Lumley, Kara Osbak, Govihnd Pandompatam, Aarti Shankaranayanan, Meera Varghese, Erika Vogel, Vanessa Wilson Wasanti Paranjape, Harmonium Kamalkar Joshi, Tabla

Vocal Class

David Descheneau, Allison Fairbairn, Vikram Gurtu, Sabrina Merali, Neda Mitchell, Bali Panesar, Jivan Patel, Shainoor Samji, Cloe Whittaker David Descheneau, flute

Satpanth Sufis Ismaili Muslim Ginan Singers

Shabnam Merali, Karim Nathoo, Sabrina Merali, Alnoor Saleh,
Shainoor Samji, Karim Gillani
Regula Qureshi, Sarangi
Alnoor Jaffer Harmonium
Daniel Schnee, Saxophone
Brad Bowie, Guitar
Nikhil Rao, Tablas
Salim Moorji, Percussion

&Intermission &

The Marathi Bhajan Group

Wasanti Paranjape, Kamalakar Joshi, Usha Joshi, Mangesh Murdeshwar, Maya Murdeshwar, Vidya Netrakanti, Vandana Deshpande, Shaila Shah

Members of the Hindu Centre

Ladies Group
Sarla Sarhadi, Rajni Kalra, Saroj Sethi, Jeewan Jyoti, Manjula Kotak,
Kamala Kalia
Vinod Bhardwaj, Harmonium

Sushil K. Kalia, Vocals

Vinod Bhardwaj, Vocals Hari Sahay, Tabla

Amit Arya, Vocals
Pandit Jasraj School of Music

Vinod Bharadwaj, Harmonium Nikhil Rao, Tabla Sheila Gayatri Evani, Violin

Music and Religion in the Diaspora: The Role of Devotional Music in the Lives of Indo-Canadian Women



This concert is produced by Jessica Keyes in fulfillment of the requirements for the Arts Undergraduate Researcher Award, which she received for the summer of 2003. She conducted research on Hindu devotional music in Edmonton at the Hindu Cultural Centre and the Sathya Sai Baba Centre by taking private Indian music lessons, making field recordings of the music, and conducting interviews with temple members.

Festival of Lights, Songs of Praise features both performers who acted as consultants to Mrs. Keyes research and other prominent performers from the community.

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In Recital

Montano Cabezas, piano with Wai Eng, violin Simo Eng, cello

Sunday, October 19 at 2:00 pm

Variations "Unser dummer Pobel Meint" K. 455 (1784) (From Gluck's *La Rencontre Impervue*) Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

Fantasy, Op. 49 (1841)

Frederic Chopin (1810-1849)

Rhapsody, Op. 119, No. 4 (1893)

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

L'Isle Joyeuse (1904)

Claude Debussy (1892-1918)

Montano Cabezas, piano

Piano Trio No. 2, Op. 66 (1845)

I. Allegro energico e con fuoco

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

Wai Eng, violin Simo Eng, cello Montano Cabezas, piano

Mr Cabezas is a recipient of a Beryl Barns Memorial Award (Undergraduate), a Bessie Brooks Winspear Scholarship, and a Ernesto Lejano Scholarship for Piano Performance.

